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SCHEMES FOR ERADICATION OF LEPROSY
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Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) the details of specific schemes and programmes proposed to be laughed or undertaken towards eradication of Leprosy during the Eleventh Five Year Plan;

(b) whether the year-wise targets contemplated in this regard during the period; and

(c) if so, the details thereof alongwith the estimated cost and expenditure to be incurred thereon?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF THE STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH & FAMILY WELFARE (DR. ANBUMANI RAMADOSS)

(a): The National Leprosy Eradication Programme (NLEP) has achieved the goal of elimination of leprosy (PR<1/10,000 population) as a public health problem at national level in December, 2005.Out of 35 States/ UTs 28 States have already achieved the level of elimination and remaining 7 States which are yet to achieve the elimination level are Bihar, Jharkhand, Chhattisgarh, Delhi, Chandigarh, DAdar & Nagar Haveli and West Bengal.

The activities under the programme will be sustained to maintain the achievement made during 10th plan period and to achieve elimination in remaining states/districts and blocks in the country.The programme has following components are:-

(i) Decentralization of NLEP services.

(ii) Integration of NLEP services with the General Heal Care system.

(iii) Capacity building of primary health care functionaries management of leprosy cases.

(iv) Timely diagnosis & prompt multi − drug treatment MDT

(v) Intensified IEC using Local and Mass Media

(vi) Prevention of Disability & Medical Rehabilitation

(vii) Monitoring & Evaluation through Manager Information System and Independent Evaluation.

(b)&(c): The system of setting targets for leprosy case detection, case treatment and discharge of patients is not being followed in NLEP from the 2003-04 towards.However, the indicators to be used under the programme now to measure the quality of services and outcome expected are as below:-

Indicators-	Outcome expected by March 2012
Prevalence Rate<1/10,000 in states	100%
Prevalence Rate<1/10,000 in districts	100%
Annual New Case Detection Rate(ANCDR) at national level	<10/100,000

Year-wise estimated cost and expenditure to be incurred under NLEP during 11th plan is given as below:-

(Rs. in Crores)

Source	Year-wise Budget				Total Budget
	2007-08	2008-09	2009-10	2010-11	2011-12
GOI	53.30	51.90	44.92	43.82	44.32 238.26
EAC	8.08	7.08	6.08	5.08	4.12 30.44
Total	61.38	58.98	51.00	48.90	48.44 268.70

EAC-Externally Aided Component in which free Multi Drugs Therapy (MDT) drugs are being supplied by WHO.

Approved budget allocation is Rs.40.00 crores